

House Watch

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THIRD READING

[HB 4940](#)

(Condino)

House Bill 4940 would replace many existing provisions of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Law, which Michigan originally adopted in 1968, with provisions of the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Law (UAGL) promulgated by NCCUSL in 2006.

- Committee substitute H-2 was not adopted
- Floor substitute was adopted
- HB 4940 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4940 was passed [RC 547: 105 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

[HB 4941](#)

(Angerer)

These bills (4941, 4942, 4944, and 4945) are technical in nature, amending various acts to adopt changes to language and citations that would conform the acts to revisions made to the Uniform Anatomical Gift Law by House Bill 4940. The bills would also make editorial changes for clarity and delete obsolete provisions. House Bill 4941 would amend Public Act 222 of 1972, which provides for an official personal identification card (state ID).

- HB 4941 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4941 was passed [RC 542: 105 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 4942

(Clack)

These bills (4941, 4942, 4944, and 4945) are technical in nature, amending various acts to adopt changes to language and citations that would conform the acts to revisions made to the Uniform Anatomical Gift Law by House Bill 4940. House Bill 4942 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.307 and 257.310).

- HB 4942 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4942 was passed [RC 543: 105 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 4943

(Coulouris)

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure (MCL 777.13n) to specify that purchasing or selling a body part of a deceased individual for transplantation or therapy or falsifying, concealing, or defacing a document of an anatomical gift for financial gain would be a Class E felony against the public order with a five-year maximum term of imprisonment.

- HB 4943 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4943 was passed [RC 543: 105 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 4944

(Gaffney)

These bills (4941, 4942, 4944, and 4945) are technical in nature, amending various acts to adopt changes to language and citations that would conform the acts to revisions made to the Uniform Anatomical Gift Law by House Bill 4940. House Bill 4944 would amend Public Act 1953 (MCL 52.209), which prescribes the duties of medical examiners.

- Hune-1 was adopted
- HB 4944 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4944 was passed [RC 545: 104 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 4945

(Calley)

These bills (4941, 4942, 4944, and 4945) are technical in nature, amending various acts to adopt changes to language and citations that would conform the acts to revisions made to the Uniform Anatomical Gift Law by House Bill 4940. House Bill 4945 would amend the Estates and Protected Individuals Code (MCL 700.3206 et al.).

- Calley-1 was adopted
- HB 4945 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4945 was passed [RC 546: 105 yes, 0 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5443

(Tobocman)

House Bill 5443 would amend Section 32a (MCL 125.1432a) to provide an exception for bonds issued to refinance single family homes from the provision's requirement that a certain percentage of the proceeds of a bond program be used to finance single family homes for qualifying homebuyers.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5443 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5443 was passed [RC 549: 104 yes, 1 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5444

(Lahti)

House Bill 5444 would amend Section 44 of the act (MCL 125.1444). Currently, Section 44 allows MSHDA, among other things, to make, purchase, or participate in loans made to individual purchasers for acquisition and long-term financing of newly rehabilitated, newly constructed, or existing 1- to 4-unit housing units. The bill would allow MSHDA to refinance these projects. In addition, to qualify under this provision, the purchase price of the unit must be under the cap established in the act. The bill would specify that in the case of a refinancing, the appraised value could not exceed the listed caps.

- Committee substitute H-1 was not adopted
- Agema-2 was withdrawn
- Lahti substitute H-3 was adopted
- HB 5444 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5444 was passed [RC 550: 71 yes, 34 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5445

(Simpson)

House Bill 5445 would add a new section to the act (MCL 125.1424f) to create the Recapture Tax Fund. The fund would be under the jurisdiction and control of MSHDA. Money in the fund could be used to reimburse individual borrowers for any taxes the borrowers paid and for which they were liable under Section 143(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. Money in the fund could also be used for any similar recapture taxes applicable to programs that MSHDA administers. Any money available to MSHDA from any source or sources, including funds held by MSHDA,

could be paid into the fund. There would be no obligation for the authority to maintain a balance of money in the fund.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5445 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5445 was passed [RC 551: 88 yes, 17 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5446

(Scott)

House Bill 5446 would amend Section 32 of the act (MCL 125.1432) to keep the current \$4.2 billion limit on outstanding bonds and notes in place until November 1, 2011 (for four additional years). Otherwise, it would revert to \$3.0 billion (subject to certain exclusions) after November 1, 2007. MSHDA finances below-market loans to rental housing developers and home buyers through the sale of tax-exempt and taxable bonds and notes to private investors.

- HB 5446 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5446 was passed [RC 552: 95 yes, 10 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5447

(Sheltrown)

House Bill 5447 would amend the Section 1 of the act (MCL 125.1401), which contains several legislative "determinations" related to need to provide assistance with financing purchases of existing single-family residences for low and moderate income families and assistance with financing the rehabilitation of existing residential rental properties. The bill would include in the list of legislative determinations the need to provide assistance with refinancing. The bill would add a new legislative determination that there is a pressing need for the creation of programs to assist low and moderate income individuals and families with the refinancing of single-family mortgages in order to prevent families from losing their homes and to help stabilize the housing market in the state. The bill says that "economic conditions and single-family home mortgage market standards, activities, and practices, including forms of predatory and abusive mortgage loan financing, have resulted in an increase in the incidence of mortgage loan default and mortgage foreclosure in the state" (giving rise to the need for the refinancing programs).

- Sheltrown substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5447 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5447 was passed [RC 553: 100 yes, 4 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

HB 5449

(Johnson)

The bill, which applies only to the City of Highland Park, would revise the eligibility criteria under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act that allow a municipality to submit a loan application to the Department of Treasury Local Emergency Financial Assistance Loan Board, and increase the maximum loan to any one municipality in any one fiscal year from \$1 million to \$3 million.

- HB 5449 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5449 was passed [RC 548: 102 yes, 2 no]
IE was ordered [No RC]

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

HCR 52

(Johnson)

A concurrent resolution to call for changes in state tax and housing policy to deal with urban areas that are subject to high rates of home mortgage foreclosure and tax delinquency.

- HCR 52 was discharged from committee
- HCR 52 was adopted